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## Quarterly Market Report

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|                             | <u>Sawtimber (Board Feet)</u> | <u>Pulpwood (Cords)</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Five Year Average (1979-83) | 1,104,472,229                 | 3,742,529               |
| 1982, Total                 | 865,107,491                   | 3,703,467               |
| 1983, Total                 | 1,262,824,854                 | 3,926,905               |

Sawtimber cuttings in Louisiana for the year of 1983 increased 45 percent as compared to a year ago, while pulpwood cuttings increased approximately 6 percent.

#### MARKET SUMMARY, FIRST QUARTER, 1984

Stumpage prices paid for pine sawtimber during the first quarter of 1984 averaged \$177.69 per thousand board feet. This price represents an increase of 5 percent from the previous quarter and is 19 percent higher than the state average of a year ago. Prices paid for hardwoods during the first quarter of 1984 averaged \$59.86 and is 9 percent lower than the fourth quarter of 1983 and 14 percent lower than a year ago.

Pulpwood stumpage prices average \$18.40 for pine and \$4.00 for hardwoods respectively.

Pulp Chips averaged \$23.06 per ton for pine and \$13.33 for hardwoods F.O.B. Sawmill.

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During the first quarter of 1984, the following U.S.D.A. Forest Service Sales for Kisatchie National Forest were reported. 1/

| Specie    | SAWLOGS       |                           | PULPWOOD |                           |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------------|----------|---------------------------|
|           | MBF <u>2/</u> | Ave. Price<br>Dollars/MBF | Cords    | Ave. Price<br>Dollars/MBF |
| Pine      | 19,214        | 157.92                    | 24,799   | 31.27                     |
| Mx. Hdwd. | 492           | 33.77                     | 3,533    | 4.68                      |

1/ - Does not include salvage and optional sales.

2/ - Scribner-Decimal "C" Rule.

AVERAGE PRICES PAID TO LOUISIANA TIMBER PRODUCERS BY TYPES OF INDUSTRIES, JANUARY-MARCH,  
1984, WITH COMPARISONS

Forest Service Sales are excluded from the following reported prices

|     |                             |           |           |           |           |           | <u>STATE AVERAGE</u> |                  |                      |
|-----|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
|     |                             | Area 1    | area 2    | area 3    | area 4    | Area 5    | Jan.- Mar.           | Previous Quarter | Same Period Year Ago |
| (A) | <u>Sawtimber (Stumpage)</u> | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars)            | (Dollars)        | (Dollars)            |
|     | Pine M.Bd.Ft.               | 183.57    | 1/        | 181.46    | 1/        | 164.84    | 177.69               | 168.20           | 148.47               |
|     | Cypress "                   | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 1/        | 2/        | 1/                   | 93.50            | 86.67                |
|     | Oaks "                      | 2/        | 2/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 56.66                | 75.88            | 70.00                |
|     | Gums "                      | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 59.97                | 81.87            | 73.13                |
|     | Willow "                    | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/                   | 81.00            | 61.67                |
|     | Ash "                       | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/                   | 127.14           | 100.00               |
|     | Cottonwood "                | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/                   | 77.50            | 65.00                |
|     | Mx. Hardwoods "             | 1/        | 2/        | 1/        | 1/        | 1/        | 59.86                | 65.41            | 52.11                |

| (B) | <u>Sawtimber (Delivered)</u> |    |    |        |    |    |        |        |        |
|-----|------------------------------|----|----|--------|----|----|--------|--------|--------|
|     | Pine M.Bd.Ft.                | 1/ | 1/ | 245.00 | 1/ | 1/ | 243.33 | 233.30 | 218.97 |
|     | Cypress "                    | 2/ | 2/ | 2/     | 1/ | 2/ | 1/     | 155.00 | 146.67 |
|     | Oaks "                       | 2/ | 2/ | 1/     | 1/ | 1/ | 158.33 | 149.00 | 150.44 |
|     | Gums "                       | 1/ | 1/ | 1/     | 1/ | 1/ | 159.28 | 130.00 | 141.46 |
|     | Willows "                    | 2/ | 2/ | 2/     | 2/ | 2/ | 2/     | 115.00 | 106.25 |
|     | Ash "                        | 2/ | 2/ | 2/     | 2/ | 2/ | 2/     | 196.42 | 170.00 |
|     | Cottonwood "                 | 2/ | 2/ | 2/     | 2/ | 2/ | 2/     | 120.00 | 109.00 |
|     | Mx. Hardwoods "              | 2/ | 2/ | 1/     | 1/ | 1/ | 108.33 | 136.26 | 133.83 |

|                            |  |           |           |           |           |           | <u>STATE AVERAGE</u> |                  |                      |
|----------------------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
|                            |  | Area 1    | Area 2    | Area 3    | Area 4    | Area 5    | Jan.- Mar.           | Previous Quarter | Same Period Year Ago |
|                            |  | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars) | (Dollars)            | (Dollars)        | (Dollars)            |
| Pulpwood, Per Cord:        |  |           |           |           |           |           |                      |                  |                      |
| Pine, Stumpage             |  | 19.26     | 1/        | 18.44     | 2/        | 1/        | 18.40                | 15.49            | 14.04                |
| Pine, F.O.B. Car           |  | 1/        | 1/        | 39.95     | 2/        | 1/        | 45.47                | 45.72            | 45.27                |
| Hardwood, Mixed Stumpage   |  | 4.16      | 2/        | 1/        | 2/        | 1/        | 4.00                 | 4.73             | 4.65                 |
| Hardwood, Mixed F.O.B. Car |  | 1/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/        | 2/                   | 34.33            | 34.49                |

1/ - Insufficient number of quotes to report on area basis but included in Statewide average.

2/ - None reported.

NOTE: The Doyle Log Scale is basis for board feet measurement.

PRICES INCLUDE PRODUCTION COSTS

STATE AVERAGES

|                | Jan.<br>Mar. | Previous<br>Quarter | 1st Quarter,<br>1983 |
|----------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 30-Ft. Class 5 | 14.35        | 11.60               | 14.74                |
| " Class 6      | 12.91        | 9.63                | 12.26                |
| " Class 7      | <u>1/</u>    | 8.06                | 11.00                |
| 35-Ft. Class 5 | 20.18        | 17.08               | 20.43                |
| " Class 6      | 15.76        | 12.58               | 16.30                |
| " Class 7      | <u>1/</u>    | 11.00               | 14.75                |
| 40-Ft. Class 2 | <u>1/</u>    | <u>1/</u>           | 44.00                |
| " Class 3      | <u>1/</u>    | 30.48               | 34.73                |
| " Class 4      | 28.55        | 26.51               | 30.38                |
| " Class 5      | 24.15        | 22.86               | 26.64                |
| " Class 6      | <u>1/</u>    | 17.35               | 20.72                |
| 45-Ft. Class 2 | <u>1/</u>    | 42.08               | 49.63                |
| " Class 3      | <u>1/</u>    | 35.92               | 43.08                |
| " Class 4      | <u>1/</u>    | 30.55               | 35.05                |
| " Class 5      | <u>1/</u>    | 26.18               | 34.63                |
| 50-Ft. Class 2 | <u>1/</u>    | 53.58               | 62.18                |
| " Class 3      | <u>1/</u>    | 44.75               | 54.83                |
| " Class 4      | <u>1/</u>    | 39.53               | 48.02                |
| 55-Ft. Class 2 | <u>1/</u>    | 62.82               | 71.33                |
| " Class 3      | <u>1/</u>    | 54.62               | 64.10                |
| " Class 4      | <u>1/</u>    | <u>1/</u>           | 51.63                |
| 60-Ft. Class 2 | <u>1/</u>    | 71.78               | 77.30                |
| " Class 3      | <u>1/</u>    | 64.75               | 76.50                |
| 65-Ft. Class 2 | <u>1/</u>    | <u>1/</u>           | 85.03                |
| " Class 3      | <u>1/</u>    | <u>1/</u>           | 76.43                |
| 70-Ft. Class 2 | <u>1/</u>    | <u>1/</u>           | 104.50               |
| " Class 3      | <u>1/</u>    | <u>1/</u>           | 95.40                |
| 75-Ft. Class 2 | <u>1/</u>    | <u>1/</u>           | 126.15               |
| " Class 3      | <u>1/</u>    | <u>1/</u>           | 116.43               |

1/ - Insufficient number of quotes to report.

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